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CM offers 'bagina' at KRS Dam

Mandya, June 30 (MR&BCT)- Continuing the tradition of Karnataka Chief Ministers offering 'bagina' at dams that reach full capacity, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, accompanied by Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar — who also holds the Water Resources portfolio — offered 'bagina' to the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam this afternoon.

Though priests had fixed 11.30 am as the auspicious time for the ritual, the ceremony was delayed by over two hours. The delay was due to the CM's chopper landing at Mysore Airport, followed by a road journey aboard an 'Airavatha Club Class' bus to the Dam site in Srirangapatna taluk.

This year, the KRS Dam achieved a historic milestone — filling to its full capacity of 124.80 ft in June for the first time in 93 years. This rare occurrence made Siddaramaiah the first Karnataka CM to offer 'bagina' at the Dam during the month of June. The ritual began shortly after the CM's arrival, and the 'bagina' was officially offered at 1.36 pm.

A total of 40 pairs of 'bagina' were offered. Each was placed on a traditional mora and included a saree, blouse piece, flowers, fruits, bangles, arashina-kumkuma (turmeric-vermilion) and Navadhanya (9 grains). Ritual was led by a team of priests under the guidance of Vedic scholar Dr. Bhanuprakash Sharma.

The CM offered prayers for the well-being of the State and expressed joy that KRS Dam had filled early this year.

The KRS Dam premises was festively decorated, with the Cauvery statue and the Dam walkway adorned with floral displays and a red carpet laid out to welcome dignitaries.

The ceremonial welcome included folk troupes such as Puja Kunita, Dollu Kunita and Nagari, while several women dressed in uniform carried traditional Kalashas. A team of priests led the procession of dignitaries with chants and hymns.

(See BAGINA on page 7)

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, accompanied by Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar and Mandya District Minister N. Cheluvarayaswamy offering 'bagina' at KRS Dam in Srirangapatna this afternoon.

'Dead' wife found alive case

Three Police Officers suspended

REASONS: Alleged negligence, dereliction of duty, fabrication of documents, filing false charge-sheet and botched investigation

Suresh

Mysuru, June 30 (RK&VNS)- In a major fallout from the sensational 'dead' wife found alive case that drew national attention, three Police officers — Kushalnagar Circle Inspector B.G. Prakash, Yelwal Sub-Inspector Mahesh Kumar and Jayapura Sub-Inspector Prakash Yattinamani — have been suspended for alleged negligence, dereliction of duty, fabrication of evidence, submission of a false charge-sheet to the Court of Law and conducting a botched and sloppy investigation.

B.G. Praskash

Mahesh Kumar

Prakash Yattinamani

The suspension orders were issued by Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah, Deputy Inspector General of Police (Southern Range), on June 28 (Saturday) and the suspended officers were officially served their orders yesterday. A departmental enquiry has also been ordered against all three.

Sources revealed that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, visibly angered upon being briefed about the case, issued oral instructions for the immediate suspension of the officers. The DIGP acted swiftly on the CM's directive.

Additionally, the Fifth Additional District and Sessions Court, Mysuru — which recently acquitted Suresh, the man wrongfully accused of murdering his wife — has directed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) of the Mysuru Law Court to file a criminal complaint against B.G. Prakash, who was the Investigating Officer at the time.

CASE BACKGROUND

The case dates back to November 2020, when Mallige, wife of Suresh — a tribal resident of Basavanahalli in Kushalnagar, Kodagu — went missing after 18 years of marriage.

Suresh filed a missing complaint at the Kushalnagar Rural Police Station.

(See SUSPENDED on page 7)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 30th June 2025

V-LEAD celebrates International Yoga Day

Mysuru, June 30 - Vivekananda Institute for Leadership Development (V-LEAD), an initiative of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM), Mysuru, celebrated International Day of Yoga at its premises in Hebbal here recently.

This year, the programme was held in collaboration with the specially-abled people. A special programme was inaugurated for the community-based Comprehensive Care Support and Therapy for Persons with Disabilities (CCST-PWD) on the occasion.

The main objective of the programme was to make yoga inclusive to the people with special abilities and the general public.

Satyajit Sahu, Regional Coordinator, BPCL, Mysuru and Krishna R. Hombala, Professor, University of Mysore, Yoga Teacher Mahesh and Dr. M.R. Seetharam, Joint and Orthopaedic specialist from Vivekananda Memorial Hospital, Saragur, were the guests of honour.

SVYM is promoting health and well-being for all by introducing yoga to the specially-abled as part of its vision for Yoga Day.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

STAY FOCUSED ON GOAL: ***It is important to have a goal and work towards attaining it. It is even more important to set one's sights on the correct goal, which is attaining the lotus feet of the Lord. Andal and Rukmini are the true exemplars, said Damal Perundevi.***

Growing up listening to Krishna's greatness, Rukmini decided to surrender to Him, instead of marrying Sisupala, as desired by her brother Rukmi. To that end, she sent a seven-verse missive to Krishna through an elderly priest. Receiving him, the all knowing Krishna asked the priest to read out Rukmini's letter, due to two reasons. First, he did not want the priest to talk loosely, saying Rukmini sent a letter to Krishna. Second, and the more important reason, being His desire that everyone should hear what she had to say; for, he knew that she was talking of a greater love, saranagati, or total surrender to the Higher power; hers was not merely a love letter from a bashful damsel. Having filled her ears with His exploits, her entire being was inundated with Him and her bhakti was unparalleled. Suka wanted moksha and he attained it. She too attained him with her devotion. Like the people of Ayodhya who listened to Ramayana discoursed by Luv-Kush, even when Rama, the archa murti, was seated in their presence, Rukmini too experienced Krishna as the amrut that one can experience with one's eyes and ears.

One should be embarrassed and fight shy of many things in life, but not when it comes to displaying faith in God and through her letter seeking Krishna's hand, she showed that true devotion to Lord is not something to be ashamed of. Krishna accepted her surrender.

— In The Hindu

NEWS SPARKLERS

Bridge with 90-degree turn: Engineers suspended

Bhopal: The Madhya Pradesh government on Saturday suspended seven engineers, including two chief engineers of the Public Works Department for the 'faulty design' of the new Rail Over Bridge (ROB) in Aishbagh area of the city with an unusual 90-degree turn.

The newly built over-bridge became a subject of criticism and ridicule, with local residents and netizens questioning its design and wondering how vehicles would negotiate the sharp 90-degree turn.

Officials associated with the construction had argued that they had no other option but to build the bridge this way given the paucity of land and presence of a metro rail station nearby.

If a little extra land is made available, the 90-degree sharp turn can be converted into a curve, officials had said.

Woman records mystery object in the sky

Massachusetts: A woman relaxing in her outdoor hot tub captured video when she spotted a mystery object floating in the sky.

Colleen McCormack said she was in the hot tub outside her Pembroke home about 9 pm on Wednesday when she spotted the object.

"It looked like it was on fire or something and it was just coming down really fast. I have no idea what it could have been," McCormack said.

The Federal Aviation Administration said there were no reports of debris in the area. Officials declined to comment on the video.

"My heart was pounding because I just looked up. I'm like oh god what is about to happen right now?" McCormack said.

The witness said she expected to hear a loud sound when the object hit the earth, but there was no noise after it disappeared from view.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Health Fact:

Men are up to three times more likely than women to develop kidney stones due to dietary and metabolic differences.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T.P. - Consultant – Urology & Andrology, Manipal Hospital, Mysuru

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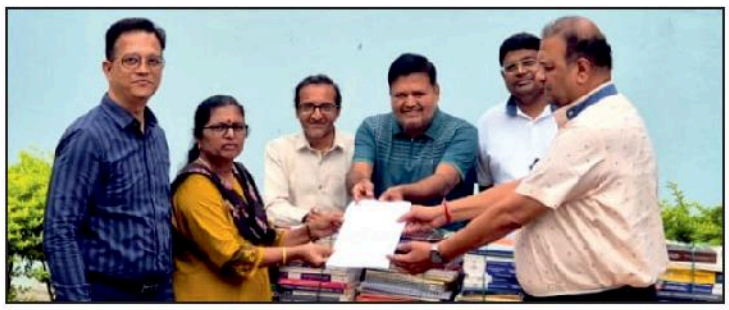
** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana distributes old textbooks to CA students



Mysuru, June 30- Under its Vidyadaan Project, Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana (BJS), Mysuru Chapter, donated around 250 books for the benefit of CA students who are pursuing their CA studies.

BJS Mysuru had collected textbooks from the passed-out students of 1st PUC and above, and out of which, nearly 2,500 books were donated to the students of 1st PUC, 2nd PUC, Commerce and Science Graduates.

Now, around 250 books pertaining to the studies of Chartered Accountancy (CA) were donated at The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Mysuru Branch. The books were handed over to Administrator Mary Ann, Pradeep and Suresh of the Mysuru Branch of the Institute. BJS Mysuru President Rajan Baghmar, Project Chairman M. Amit Kumar Chouhan, Chief Secretary B.K. Deepak Kumar Jain, Treasurer P. Manohar Sankhla and CA B. Umedraj Jain were present.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **124.80 feet**	Today's level **2,277.21 feet**	Today's level **2,851.16 feet**
Last year's level **92.40 feet**	Last year's level **2,276.30 feet**	Last year's level **2,837.22 feet**
Yesterday's level **124.80 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,278.84 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,850.83 feet**
Today's Inflow **28,938 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **19,654 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **3,375 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **28,681 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **30,000 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **2,500 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *The Bahamas is home to the world's largest underwater sculpture: Despite the water being crystal clear, there's more than meets the eye in New Providence.*
- *Hidden beneath the ocean's surface is the world's largest underwater sculpture — weighing 60 tons and standing 18 feet tall — named "Ocean Atlas."*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: I am ashamed to see your exam results. For one question I have fifty different answers.
Students: Miss, you know that we do not cheat!!

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 85.49
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 117.36
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 23.28
1 Euro	= Rs. 100.25

VOICE OF THE READER

KRS rejuvenation: Just a money-making trick

Sir,

This is with reference to the report ***'75 CCTV cameras dead, only handful of guards at KRS Dam'*** *(SOM* dated June 24). In the late eighties, when we used to visit this tourist spot, Brindavan Gardens were truly breathtaking. Visitors were allowed to walk along the Dam walls, go close to the crest gates, enjoy safe and delightful boating rides.

The 60-acre garden was a marvel with melodious instrumental music, elegant lighting and functioning fountains.

Today, however, the situation is disheartening. Entry fees have been hiked while the experience offered has drastically declined.

Despite the Government allocating hundreds of crores of rupees for maintenance every few years, what greets us are broken fountains, gardens and waterways strewn with trash, half-sunken boats and missing toilet facilities.

Public access to the Dam walls has been prohibited, but those with privilege, influence, or money can still obtain permission to access restricted areas.

—M.S. Muralidhar
Mysuru
25.6.2025

Relentless efforts key for achieving success in exams

Mysuru, June 30 (GA&DM)- N. Vishnuvardhana, Superintendent of Police (SP), Mysuru, said that relentless efforts, determination and dedication are key for achieving success in exams.

He was speaking after felicitating Shreyas, who passed the Central Armed Forces exam and Tanaka D. Anand, who bagged 812th rank in the Civil Services exam conducted by the UPSC, at a programme organised by Navo-Pramati Institute of Civil Services at Patrakarthara Bhavan here recently.

Noting that the candidates need not feel dejected if they fail in the exam once, he said that the will for achieving success despite the odds and relentless efforts on achieving set goal are vital for success.

Navo-Pramati Institute of Civil Services Head H.V. Rajeev and others were present.

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AI may influence education sector next: Former Minister Sindhia

Former Minister and State Chief Commissioner of Bharat Scouts and Guides P.G.R. Sindhia addressing the gathering at the workshop for School Education and Literacy Department officials organised at Sri Jayachamarajendra Scouts and Guides Auditorium in city recently as others look on.

Mysuru, June 30 (MTY&BS)- Former Minister and State Chief Commissioner of Bharat Scouts and Guides P.G.R. Sindhia has opined that, 'The fast-pervading Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology may influence the pedagogy in schools in four to five years down the line.'

He was speaking at a workshop for School Education and Literacy Department officials organised at Sri Jayachamarajendra Scouts and Guides Auditorium in city recently.

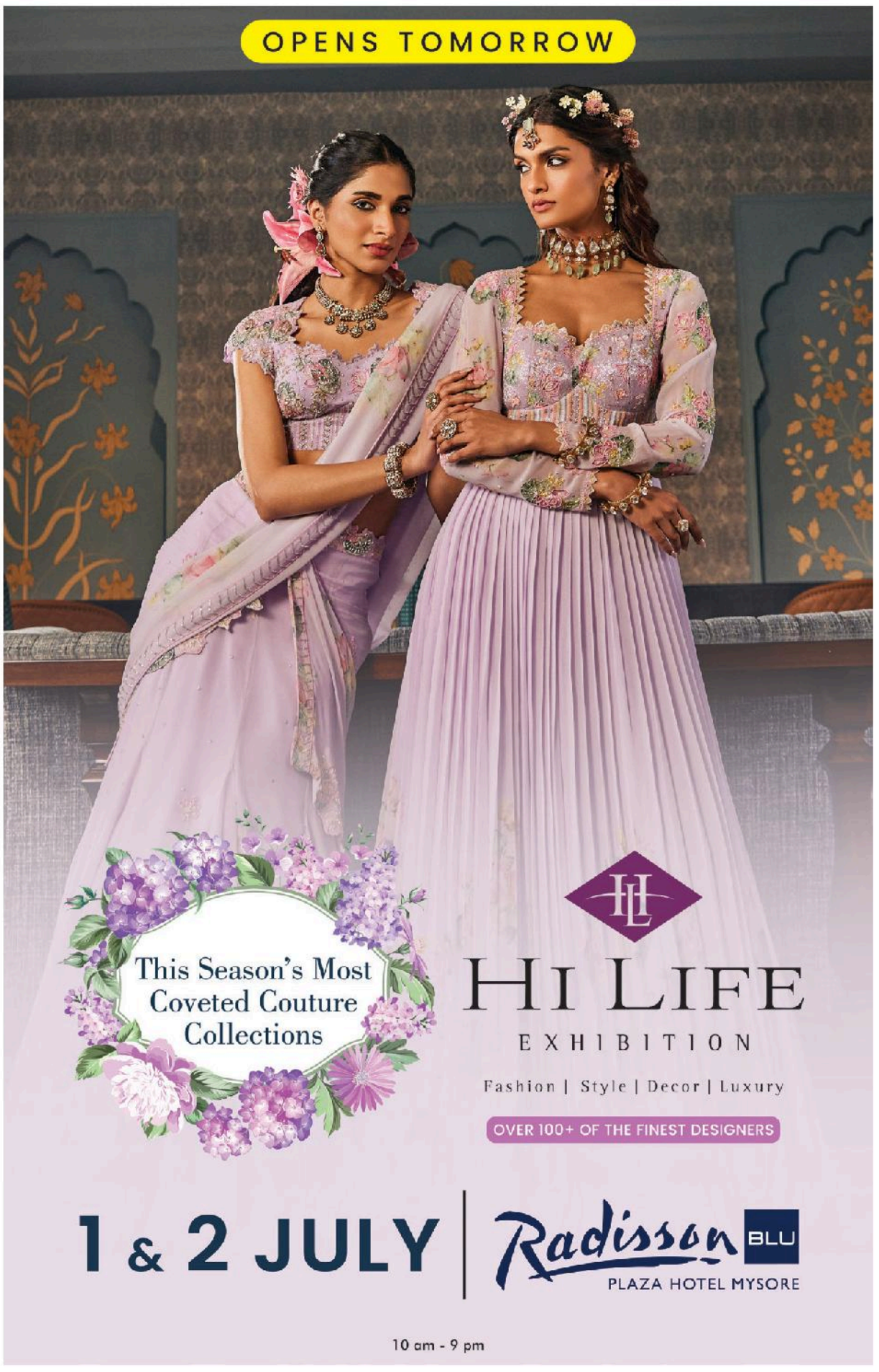
In the recent days, AI is being incorporated in all the sectors, including the field of academics. In the coming days, the AI may emerge stronger, widely influencing the teaching system. The teachers should be prepared to adapt to the relevant technology, added Sindhia.

The programmes conducted by Bharat Scouts and Guides is oriented towards improving the process of learning for children. However, there are complaints about those enrolled in Scouts and Guides being poor in academics. This year's State Puraskar Exam dispelled the myth with over 2,000 students scoring above 93%. The NITI Aayog has made Scouts and Guides compulsory at all the States. But, here in Karnataka, it is in force since the tenure of Chief Minister K.C. Reddy. To effectively implement the motive behind Scouts and Guides at school level, the teachers should also contribute effectively, said Sindhia.

Every school should compulsorily train their students in Scouts and Guides, with the teachers also being imparted relevant training. The teachers and students should participate in the camps conducted by Bharat Scouts and Guides. Every schools should have Scouts and Guides unit, he said.

In Karnataka, training in Scouts and Guides is being given to the students since princely rule and hence the quality of training is good. Kannadigas dominate the number of staff at National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), with more number of people getting education through Mutts and Dasoha system. When it comes to education, coastal districts are a way ahead of others, he noted.

District Scouts and Guides Chief Commissioner P. Vishwanath presided. DDPI S.T. Javaregowda, K.B. Gurumurthy and B.K. Basavaraj were present.



NEWS BRIEFS

Disruption in water supply

Due to 1st quarterly maintenance works taken up by the KPTCL at Melapura and Rammanahalli Pumping Stations from where water is supplied to several parts of the city, there will be disruption in water supply in the following areas of the city for three days from today (June 30, July 1 and 2): MCC Ward Nos. 9, 16, 28 to 39, 52 & 53 covering areas such as Kesare, Rajendranagar, Subashnagar, N.R. Mohalla, Gandhinagar, Udayagiri, Rajivnagar 1st, 2nd and 3rd Stages, Shantinagar, Kalyanagiri, areas along Dr. Rajkumar Road, Yeraganahalli, Siddartha Layout, Alanahalli, Giridarshini Layout, Ghousianagar, Kyatamaranahalli, and other surrounding areas.

Workshop

GLT Visions of *Mysuru Mithra* columnist G.L. Tripuranthaka has organised a day-long workshop on mobile photography and videography at JSS institutions in Saraswathipuram, on July 6. Senior photographer B.S. Rajaram will be conducting the training classes. Workshop will include clicking photographs in ordinary mobile phones, editing using different mobile applications and uploading photos and videos on various social media platforms. For details, contact Mob: 96866-77284.

Ph.D awardee

A.S. Shilpa has been awarded Ph.D in Applied Sciences (Chemistry) by the Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, for her thesis 'Design Synthesis and Characterisation of Anti-Inflammatory Peptides' [Guide: Dr. Satish Kumar Murari].

Students made to attend classes in corridors at Mysore University

Mysuru, June 30 (MK&BCT)- Students of the century-old University of Mysore (UoM) are now being forced to attend classes seated in corridors, owing to a severe shortage of functional classrooms and growing administrative lapses.

Already burdened by challenges in delivering quality education, the University now faces a fresh setback. In what echoes the Kannada proverb, "In a quarrel between husband and wife, it is the child who suffers," students have become the unintended victims of poor coordination between faculty and administrative staff, deprived of even basic classroom access and forced to learn outside the formal academic setting.

The University, long grappling with a faculty shortage, has been relying heavily on guest lecturers. But now, even the optimal use of its limited faculty has become a concern, severely impacting the student learning experience.

A glaring example of this dysfunction was witnessed on Saturday at the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication in Manasagangothri.

Students, who arrived for their 10 am class, found the classrooms locked. Professor M.S. Sapna, who arrived on time, was left with no option but to conduct the session in the corridor. Students voiced their anger and disappointment, blaming the University's erratic and indifferent approach for this academic breakdown.

The Journalism and Mass Communication Department currently operates with just three faculty members. With semester exams fast approaching, completing the syllabus has become a race against time. Students say the situation is further worsened by inconsistent staff attendance and poor time management.

Frustration is mounting, with even Ph.D scholars reportedly being denied regular classes. Importantly, this crisis is not confined to one department. Students across various disciplines have raised similar concerns about a lack of coordination and infrastructure, which is hampering their academic progress.

Senior students have now called upon the University administration — particularly the Vice-Chancellor — to take immediate corrective action and restore normalcy, before the academic environment deteriorates further.

Four missing, including woman and baby girl

Mysuru, June 30 (KS)- In separate cases, a woman and her baby girl are among four persons, who have gone missing from Mysuru city, Nanjangud and Bettadapura in the district.

In the first case, a woman and baby girl have gone missing since June 12 midnight from Mallahalli village in Nanjangud taluk.

While the missing woman is 23-year-old Vasantha, the missing baby girl is one-year-old Rakshitha. Vasantha is 5 ft. tall, speaks Kannada and Telugu and

Vasantha and her baby Rakshitha, Mahadevamma and Vinu

was wearing a yellow coloured chudidhar. Rakshitha is 1.5 ft. tall, red complexioned, stammers while speaking and was wearing a green coloured sweater.

Those having any information about Vasantha and Rakshitha may contact Kavalande Sub-Inspector B. Basavaraj on Mob: 94808-05050 or call 112.

In the second case, 54-year-old Mahadevamma, a resident of Srirampura in Mysuru city, who was staying with her daughter and son-in-law at Kandaya Nagar 2nd Stage here, has gone missing since Saturday morning from city.

Those having any information about Mahadevamma may contact Kuvempunagar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418124 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

In the third case, 25-year-old Vinu has gone missing from Ragi Aladamara village near Bettadapura in Periyapatna taluk. Anyone having information about Vinu may contact Bettadapura Police on Mob: 94808-05060.

Over 20 suffer dog bite

Nanjangud, June 30 (BS)- Over 20 people have suffered dog bite in a stray dog attack at Hullahalli village in Nanjangud taluk of the district recently.

Among those who received the dog bites include children and elderly persons, who were treated at Community Health Centre in the village and private hospitals.

The victims are identified as follows: Nischita, aged 4 years, Anitha, 35, Vinoda, 18, Anjali, 12, Dhanush, 5, Ravikumar, 12, Armaan, 3, Savitha, 37, Girish, 40, Usab Khan, 7 and Kalaswamy, 36.

The children were returning home on Thursday (June 26) after school hours at 4 pm, when a stray dog went on a biting spree.

The dog attack was also reported from Nayakara Beedhi, Ambedkar Double Road and in front of the bus stand, where a person waiting for bus was bitten by the dog.

The victims received bites on hand, leg, back and thigh regions, it is said. Though the villagers along with Gram Panchayat (GP) personnel made a bid to catch the dog, the efforts went in vain.

According to the doctors at Government Hospital, Hullahalli, on Thursday alone, anti-rabies vaccine was injected to 11 patients of dog bite.

Obituary

A.M. Mahadevaiah

Mysuru, June 30- A.M. Mahadevaiah (85), retired Accounts Superintendent at Mysuru Zilla Panchayat and a resident of N.R. Mohalla, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind his wife M.D. Paravathamma, son A.M. Mahesh, daughter A.M. Manjula and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds at Lalithadripura this afternoon, according to family sources.

Shivamma

Shivamma (74), wife of late Basavaraju and a resident of Vidyanagar, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind three sons including Mysuru South Sub-Inspector B. Surendra & Auditor B. Nagaraj, one daughter, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday evening, according to family sources.

City Advocate lodges complaint
seeking action against Dist. Minister

Mysuru, June 30 (DM)- Accusing District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa of hurting the religious sentiments of Hindu community, senior city Advocate S. Arunkumar has lodged a complaint with the City Police Commissioner seeking legal action against the Minister.

In his complaint, Arunkumar said that Dr. Mahadevappa had accompanied Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to the famed M.M. Hills Temple in Hanur taluk of Chamarajanagar district, after the State Cabinet meeting took place there on Apr. 24. After the CM received *theertha* at the temple, it was the turn of Dr. Mahadevappa to receive it, when the Minister voluntarily declined, which action has hurt the religious sentiments of the Hindu population, Arunkumar alleged.

Maintaining that Dr. Mahadevappa had intentionally declined to receive the holy *theertha* at the temple, thus hurting the religious sentiments of Hindu devotees, he urged the Police to lodge a case as per Section 299 of BNS against the Minister.

Lavender bloom

transforms Kushalnagar's Thavarekere

Madikeri, June 30 (PS&BCT)- The blooming lavender to pink flowers at Thavarekere in Kushalnagar have become a captivating attraction, drawing travellers, tourists and locals alike. Nestled quietly among forest shrubs along the Highway, the lake has suddenly amplified its natural charm.

Typically adorned with lotus flowers, the lake is now blanketed in a striking expanse of lavender blossoms. This breathtaking transformation, stretching across the waters, offers a stunning visual spectacle. For the first time, such vibrant blooms have appeared here, leaving visitors both surprised and enchanted.

Residents of Kushalnagar recall that the lake was once abundant with lotus flowers, which earned it the name Thavarekere (Thavare means lotus in Kannada). However, over time, the unchecked inflow of sewage into the lake has allowed invasive water hyacinth — a free-floating perennial aquatic plant — to take over and now bloom in full.

The lake's new-found allure is drawing crowds who pause along the roadside to soak in the surreal scenery. The surge in visitors has even prompted Police deployment to regulate traffic and maintain order in the area.

Dasara 2025: Final list of 15 elephants soon

First batch of nine elephants to enter Mysore Palace on Aug. 7; Training from Aug. 9

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, June 30- With heavy rains lashing the State ahead of schedule and most reservoirs nearing full capacity, the State Government has nevertheless decided to go ahead with this year's Dasara celebrations in full splendour.

In this backdrop, the Forest Department has proactively begun the process of selecting the elephant team, led by the iconic howdah elephant, Captain Abhimanyu. Over 25 elephants have been shortlisted, with the final 15 to be selected and officially announced in the second week of July.

For the first time in several years, the festivities will span 11 days, beginning on Sept. 22 and culminating with the grand *Jumboo Savari* on Oct. 2.

As always, selecting elephants for the Dasara procession poses a unique challenge, given the 45-day training requirement leading up to the finale.

With Captain Abhimanyu confirmed to lead the elephant contingent once again, forest officials are now focused on shortlisting alternate elephants and assigning them various ceremonial roles.

Visit to six camps

A dedicated team led by Mysuru Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Dr. I.B. Prabhugowda, along with veterinarians, RFOs and support staff, has been visiting elephant camps since June 19 — including Mathigodu, Dodda Harave, Bheemanakatte, Dubare, Balle and Bandipur — to assess the health and suitability of elephants for the celebrations.

From these six camps, over 25 elephants have been shortlisted, with the final 15 to be selected and officially announced in the second week of July, officials said.

The ceremonial *Gajapayana*, marking the elephants' journey from the forests to Mysuru, will commence on Aug. 4, between 12.34 and 12.59 pm during the auspicious *Tula Lagna (Abhijin Muhurta)*, near the Veerana-hosahalli Gate in Hunsur taluk.

The first batch of nine elephants is expected to arrive at the Forest Department premises in Ashokapuram, Mysuru, on Aug. 7. Though an alternative date was considered, it has now been confirmed that the elephants will enter the Mysore Palace the same evening.

Training from Aug. 9

Once the elephants reach the Palace premises, training along the *Jumboo Savari* route will begin on Aug. 9 or 10. A second batch of five to six elephants is expected to arrive in the first week of September. Thereafter, full-scale training will be carried out to prepare the team for their ceremonial duties.

Selection process underway

"The process of selecting this year's Dasara elephant team has commenced. Officials have inspected elephants across various camps. Once the final list is prepared, it will be submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) in Bengaluru. The Forest Minister is expected to announce the selected names officially."

— Dr. I.B. Prabhugowda, DCF, Mysuru Wildlife Division

Kamakshi Hospital celebrates 52nd Founder's Day

Kamakshi Hospital (Unit-1) celebrated its 52nd Founder's Day at the hospital premises in Kuvempunagar yesterday. Picture shows Vanajakshi, Vishwanath, Subramanya and Shankar, who were felicitated on completing 25 years of service at the hospital, with Dr. C.D. Sreenivasa Murthy, Hospital Managing Trustee M. Mahesh Shenoy, Chairman M. Vishwanath Rao, Dr. C.G. Narasimhan, Administrator Dr. K.R. Kamath, Joint Managing Trustee Gajanana Shenoy and Trustee Dr. Jagannath Shenoy.

Mysuru, June 30 (GA&DM)- Kamakshi Hospital (Unit-1) located in Kuvempunagar celebrated its Founder's Day and 52nd anniversary in the Hospital premises yesterday.

Visionary Founders Bantval Madhava Shenoi and Sulochana Madhava Shenoi had laid the foundation of this Hospital with a noble mission to provide compassionate, accessible, affordable and quality health care to all. A humble initiative that began with 16 beds has grown today as a beacon of hope, centre of clinical excellence and a trusted name in healthcare.

Marking the celebration, special puja was performed at Ganesha temple in the Hospital premises, which was attended by Consultants and staff including Dr. C.D. Sreenivasa Murthy, Dr. C.G. Narasimhan, Dr. U.G. Shenoy, Dr. Arun Srinivas, Dr. K.R. Nagabhushan, Dr. M.D. Kemparaju and Dr. Srinivas among others. Fruits were distributed to all in-patients at the hospital.

On the occasion, Hospital staff Vanajakshi, Vishwanath, Subramanya and Shankar, who had served for the last 25 years, were felicitated while children of the staff who excelled in the 2024-25 academic year — Sanjana (85 percent in SSLC), Chandana (82 percent in SSLC) and Chirag (81 percent in PUC) — were presented with a cash prize of Rs. 2,000 each.

Hospital Managing Trustee M. Mahesh Shenoy, Chairman M. Vishwanath Rao, Joint Managing Trustee Gajanana Shenoy, Administrator Dr. K.R. Kamath, Trustees Suresh Rao, Jagannath Shenoy and Manoj Shenoy, General Manager S.V. Prasanna Kumar, Assistant General Manager G.N. Bhaskar, Management Co-ordinator Shruti Asoka and others were present.

Banu Mushtaq to chair 88th Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana

Banu Mushtaq

Ballari, June 30- The prestigious International Booker Prize winning Kannada writer Banu Mushtaq has been selected to chair the 88th Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana to be held at Ballari in December.

Speaking to newspersons after the Kannada Sahitya Parishat Executive Committee meeting at Ballari yesterday, Parishat President Dr. Mahesh Joshi said that the name of Banu Mushtaq has been finalised as the Chairperson of Kannada Literary Meet.

Pointing out that 44 of the 56 Committee Members who attended the meeting endorsed the name of Banu, he said that the names of Malathi Pattanshetti and Veena Shanteshwara too came up at the meeting. However, the name of Banu Mushtaq was unanimously proposed, he said adding that the date and venue of the meet would be finalised after holding a meeting with Ballari District Incharge Minister.

This is perhaps for the first time, that the name of the Chairperson (Sammelana Sarvadhyaksha) of the Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana has been finalised 6 months well in advance before the event. In the past, the Sammelana Chairperson's names used to be finalised only 1 or 2 months before the event.

First phase of census to begin from Apr. 1, 2026

New Delhi, June 30 (Agencies)- The house-listing operations for the forthcoming census will begin from Apr. 1, 2026, marking the start of the first phase of the decennial exercise, the Registrar General of India has said.

In a letter to Chief Secretaries of States and Union Territories, Census Commissioner and Registrar General of India Mrityunjay Kumar Narayan said the House-listing Operations and Housing Census shall begin on Apr. 1, 2026.

Before that the appointment of supervisors, enumerators and work distribution among them shall be done with cooperation from States and District Administrations, it said.

The census is a two-phase exercise — in phase one, that is, House-listing Operation (HLO), the housing conditions, assets and amenities of each household will be collected. Subsequently, in the second phase, that is, Population Enumeration (PE), the demographic, socio-economic, cultural and other details of every person in each household will be collected which is scheduled for Feb. 1, 2027, according to the letter.

In the census, caste enumeration will also be done, a government statement had said.

For census activities, over 34 lakh enumerators and supervisors and around 1.3 lakh census functionaries would be deployed. It is the 16th census till now and the eighth after independence.

The forthcoming census will be conducted through digital means using mobile applications. Provision of self-enumeration would also be made available to the people. The Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner had prepared around three dozen questions to be asked to the citizens.

The survey will ask households about ownership of items like phones, internet, vehicles (bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, car, jeep, van) and appliances (radio, TV, transistor) among others.

The citizens will also be asked about cereal consumption, sources of drinking water and lighting, type and access to latrines, wastewater disposal, bathing and kitchen facilities, fuel used for cooking and LPG/PNG connection.

Actor, green activist Suresh Heblikar flags concerns about technology

Mysuru, June 30 (PM&BS)- Noted Kannada film actor and environmentalist Suresh Heblikar has flagged concerns about extensive reliance on foreign technologies that pose a challenge to the conservation of environment.

He was sharing his views during a talk on 'Prevention of Plastic Pollution' organised by The Institution of Engineers India (IEI), Mysore Local Centre at its premises on JLB Road in the city recently.

"Ours is a diverse country with a mix of social, cultural and heritage features, very much unlike European countries and United States (US). However, we have been using their technologies, which have emerged as a challenge in taking up environmental conservation activities here," remarked Heblikar.

In Karnataka, the emphasis should be on protecting the large swathes of forest area. The single crop culture is encouraged among farmers who cultivate paddy with river water, in those parts of the State replete with arid lands receiving less rainfall. As a result, 30 percent of soil fertility has eroded while in North Karnataka alone, there are 33 sugar factories, where sugarcane is cultivated on a large scale.

The conservation of environment is no more an intricate matter, as the rise in temperature level and changing weather patterns have been posing greater challenges, that can be well described as the biggest tragedies of the world, he said adding that nature has been fulfilling all our desires to live, as the economy, social progress, cultural heritage, language, cloth and food have their roots in environment.

The State once had 48,000 big lakes and 60 percent among them have vanished. Such a condition can be attributed to the wars that annihilate natural resources, with the explosives reducing the soil towards its peril. It requires million of years for the top soil to form, Heblikar opined.

Though science and technology has gifted mankind with several innovations, man existed even before technology was never heard of. One should think about such possibilities, as in the recent days, seas are being called as the source of oxygen and more researches should be conducted in this regard, he appealed.

Plastic has emerged as a bigger threat nowadays. Thousands of industrialists in Mumbai have been running plastic recycling units of 4,000 crore to 5,000 crore capacity. However, the plastic with thickness below 40-60 microns are considered hazardous to health. Earlier, there was a practice of carrying bag to shops, but now it is vice-versa. Awareness should be held against using plastic carry bags, he said.

IEI, Mysore Local Centre Chairman Dr. R. Deepu, former Chairman A.S. Satish, Hon. Secretary Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna and Indian Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers (ISHRAE), Mysuru Chapter President K.B. Prabhakar were present.

CM offers 'bagina' at KRS Dam

Women carrying Kalashas were part of the 'Bagina' ceremony at KRS Dam this afternoon.

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Chief Minister Siddaramaiah travelled in an open jeep from the Dam entrance to the ceremonial site. Both CM Siddaramaiah and Dy.CM Shivakumar offered floral tributes to the portraits of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and Sir M. Visvesvaraya.

Highlighting the ritual's spiritual significance, Dr. Bhanuprakash Sharma noted that the Dam's filling this year coincided with the first Ashada Friday — a sacred period in Hindu tradition that reveres rivers. A team of Kodava women performed the traditional Ummathat folk dance, dressed in their customary attire.

The tradition of offering 'bagina' was first initiated by former CM D. Devaraj Urs in 1979. Siddaramaiah had previously performed the ritual in 2013 and 2014.

The Dam failed to reach capacity between 2015 and 2017 due to drought. Although Siddaramaiah returned to power in 2023, the poor monsoon prevented that year's 'bagina' ceremony. However, he performed the ritual in 2024 on July 29.

Over 3,000 people gathered at the Dam to witness the ceremony. Among the dignitaries present were Agriculture and Mandya District Minister N. Cheluvarayaswamy, Mysuru District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, Kodagu District Minister N.S. Boseraju, MLAs Tanveer Sait, Ravi Ganiga, K. Harishgowda, A.R. Krishnamurthy, Dr. Mantar Gowda, Rameshbabu Bandisiddegowda, MLCs Dinesh Gooligowda, Vivekananda, Madhu Madegowda, Mandya Deputy Commissioner Dr. Kumara, Mysuru DC G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, SP Mallikarjuna Baladandi and officials from the Irrigation Department and Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited, among others.

KRS Dam fills to brim in June for the first time in 93 years

Kushalnagar/Mandya, June 30 (AG,MR&BCT)- The lifeline of Mandya district, the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam, has achieved a historic milestone — filling to its full capacity of 124.80 ft (49.452 tmcft) in the month of June for the first time in 93 years.

This rare event set a new record and marked Chief Minister Siddaramaiah as the first CM of Karnataka to offer bagina — a traditional ritual — at the Dam in June.

Built between 1911 and 1932 under the reign of Maharaja Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, the Reservoir had never reached full capacity during June previously.

According to Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) authorities, the previous highest June level was in 1941, when the Dam touched 121.45 ft (44.912 tmcft) and water was released for the first time that month. After an 84-year gap, water has once again been released in June — this time in 2025 (on June 23).

On the night of Sunday, June 29, the reservoir reached its maximum level, aligning perfectly with Siddaramaiah's bagina offering the following morning. This June, the Dam recorded its highest single-day inflow of 73,811 cusecs on June 28 and a peak outflow of 55,000 cusecs on June 26.

Between June 1 and June 29, 2025, Bhagamandala in Kodagu District received 1,449 mm of rainfall, slightly lower than the 1,587 mm recorded during the same period in 1941.

The dam's cumulative inflow this month stands at 44.89 tmcft, while the outflow totals 19.29 tmcft. Kodagu district, which feeds the Reservoir, was forecast to receive 756 mm in June but instead received 1,408 mm — marking a 68 percent increase.

Inflow to the KRS Dam began steadily from June 23. Although the Reservoir could have filled by June 27, CNNL officials strategically delayed its filling to coincide with the Chief Minister's visit. Water was released into the River to regulate the levels, keeping the Reservoir temporarily at 120 ft before allowing it to reach full capacity.

Remarkably, on May 24, the Reservoir had dipped to just 89.10 ft. Pre-monsoon showers brought a sharp turnaround: By May 28, the inflow surged to 26,000 cusecs, raising the water level by six feet in just four days, reaching 95.35 ft. On May 30, it touched the 100-ft mark — a milestone not seen in May for over four decades.

With monsoon rains intensifying in early June, the Reservoir level rose swiftly to 106 ft by June 3. Continued rainfall across the Cauvery basin has now brought the KRS Dam to its rare and celebrated full capacity.

Hands Up Gossip Down

CM Siddaramaiah lifts Dy.CM Shivakumar's hands to signal that all is well in party affairs

Mysuru, June 30 (BLU&DM)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah asserted that he shares a cordial relationship with his Deputy D.K. Shivakumar and made it clear that the Congress-led State Government will complete its full five-year term. "There is no need for any gossip or doubt," he said.

He was addressing media after arriving at the Mysore Airport this morning on a special flight from Bengaluru along with Deputy CM Shivakumar and Mysuru District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa to offer *bagina* at KRS Dam.

For the media cameras, Siddaramaiah publicly demonstrated his camaraderie with Shivakumar by raising his hand — an apparent message to those attempting to sow discord between the two.

Hitting out at critics, the CM said, "Those trying to drive a wedge between me and Shivakumar will not succeed."

Responding to BJP leader B. Sriramulu's frequent remarks about Congress leaders, he said, "Ask him how many elections he has lost. BJP leaders are known for making false claims and creating unnecessary noise over every issue."

Reiterating his leadership role, Siddaramaiah confirmed, "I will be inaugurating this year's Mysuru Dasara celebrations. Even the journalists know this."

Commenting on the meeting of AICC General Secretary and Karnataka in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala with Congress MLAs in Bengaluru today, the CM downplayed its significance saying, "It's a routine meeting."

On the spate of heart attack-related deaths reported in Hassan over the past two months, Siddaramaiah said, "We are consulting health experts to understand the causes and will take all necessary preventive measures."

Reacting to reports that the Maharashtra Government is sticking to the two-language policy in education, he said, "Karnataka has always advocated the two-language formula and our Government is committed to providing education in line with that policy."

Three Police Officers suspended

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Despite an initial investigation, the case went cold. Seven months later, in June 2021, officers from Bettadapura Police Station in Periyapatna brought Suresh to identify a skeleton discovered in their jurisdiction.

He was reportedly coerced into identifying the skeletal remains, clothes and slippers as belonging to his missing wife. Under duress, he was also allegedly forced to confess to her murder.

An FIR was then registered, and Suresh was arrested. He spent two years in jail before securing bail from the High Court.

However, in a dramatic twist, on April 1, 2025, Suresh's friends spotted his wife Mallige alive at a hotel in Madikeri, sharing snacks with her paramour, Ganesh. The Madikeri Police were alerted and took Mallige into custody.

During interrogation, she confessed to living with Ganesh in T. Shettigeri village, Ponnampet Taluk, for the past five years.

Her discovery triggered a judicial and administrative storm. Suresh was acquitted by the Court, and questions were raised about the integrity of the investigation that had cost an innocent man two years of his life behind bars.

At the time of fabricated investigation, B.G. Prakash was serving as Bylakuppe Circle Inspector while Mahesh Kumar and Prakash Yattinamani were Sub-Inspectors at Bettadapura Station.

Winners of 'Avagamah' State-level Project

Mysuru, June 30 - The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, ATME College of Engineering (ATMECE), Mysuru, had organised the State-level Technical Project Competition "Avagamah-2025" recently.

The event, conducted in association with The Institution of Engineers (India) and IEEE ATME Student Branch, saw participation of final and pre-final year students from across the State.

The competition was conducted in both on-campus and online formats, providing a platform for young innovators to present their projects focused on energy, sustainability, automation, healthcare and emerging technologies.

In the on-campus category, the first prize was won by JSS Science and Technological University (JSS STU), Mysuru, led by Sai Harsha for the project titled "Plug-In Series Hybrid Electric Vehicle." The second prize went to S. Gourav and team from Maharaja Institute of Technology Thandavapura (MITT) for the project "Fire Extinguisher Drone." The third prize was won by ATMECE, led by M.S. Sumanth Naika, for the project titled "Anaerobic Digestion of Canteen Waste for Biogas Production."

Consolation prizes in the on-campus category were awarded to Mohammed Harmain and team of ATMECE for the project "Radiant Warmer and Sleep Apnea Monitoring for NICU" and Y.P. Akshitha and team from Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering Technology (VVIET), Mysuru, for their project "STHREE - Women Hygiene Hub."

In the online category, the first prize was jointly secured by B.S. Chethan and team from Don Bosco Institute of Technology (DBIT), Bengaluru, for the project "IoT Based Solar Power Energy Meter" and A. Nandini from Ballari Institute of Technology and Management (BITM), Ballari, for "Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU) Technology."

The second prize was jointly shared by Preeti Binjawadagi and team from AITM, Belagavi, for the work on "Design and Development of a Pyramid Solar Still" and K.C. Tilak Pateel and team from Sri Sairam College of Engineering, Bengaluru, for developing a "Solar Mobile Charger."

Consolation prizes in the online category were presented to R. Chandan and team from Sri Sairam College of Engineering for the project on "Renewable Energy-Based Home Automation," H.N. Kavyashree and team from GMIT, Mandya for the project on "Deep Learning-Based Self-Examination of Breast Cancer" and G. Shivakumar and team from BITM, Ballari for the project "Real-Time Vehicle Headlight Intensity Control for Enhanced Road Safety." Winners were felicitated with certificates and cash prizes for their efforts and creativity. Dr. M.N. Rekha, Assistant Professor, JSS STU and Dr. P. Vinod Kumar, Associate Professor, ATMECE, were the juries.

The event was coordinated by Dr. M. Praveen Kumar, Prof. L. Raghavendra and Prof. Shreeshayana.

Ban plastic in UoM limits: CF Dr. Malathi Priya

Mysuru, June 30 (MTY&BS)- Conservator of Forests (CF), Mysuru Circle, Dr. M. Malathi Priya has suggested the University of Mysore (UoM) to take measures towards banning plastic water bottles at its constituent colleges.

Dr. Malathi Priya was addressing the gathering after planting a sapling during the Vanamahotsava programme organised as part of World Environment Day celebrations by Vishwamanava Mysuru Vishwavidyanilaya Naukarara Vedike and Nava Vishwamanava Trust at Maharaja's College campus in the city recently.

Pointing out at the green rich Maharaja's College with trees and plants, Dr. Malathi Priya said, it is laudable that measures have been taken to maintain the green cover which contributes towards creating a pleasant atmosphere in the campus. But, the plastic

water bottles were found littered. Hence it is essential to prohibit the usage of plastic water bottles and carry bags considered as hazardous to environment at the campus.

Earlier Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda planted a sapling. Finance Officer of University of Mysore K.S. Rekha, senior journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Syndicate Members Gokul Govardhan, Dr. J. Shilpa, former Syndicate Member E.C. Ningaraje Gowda, Deputy Director of Horticulture, UoM, N. Cheluvesh, former Secretary of Mysore Bar Association S. Umesh, President of Vishwamanava Mysuru Vishwavidyanilaya Naukarara Vedike R. Vasudev and others were present.

Daksha College celebrates Environment Day with Green Corridor Initiative

Mysuru, June 30-Daksha College in Hootagalli, Mysuru, celebrated Environment Day-2025 reaffirming its long-standing commitment to sustainability, education and community engagement. The College formally announced its Green Corridor Initiative, under which it has taken full responsibility for planting and maintaining trees along the entire college road stretch — a bold and practical step toward environmental responsibility.

Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda, who was the chief guest said, "Institutions like Daksha are not just educating minds — they are nurturing environmental guardians. Their roadside tree plantation and continuous green initiatives are truly commendable."

Echoing this commitment, Chairman P. Jayachandra Raju stated, "At Daksha, environmental values are deeply rooted in our ethos. This is not a symbolic day — it is a long-term promise. We believe in acting today to shape a sustainable tomorrow."

The programme concluded with an oath-taking ceremony and a tree plantation drive involving students, staff and guests.

Anitha Raju, Gautham Raju, Sonia Umapathy, P. Harish, Dr. Mahesha, M. Abhishek and staff of both PU and Degree Colleges were present.

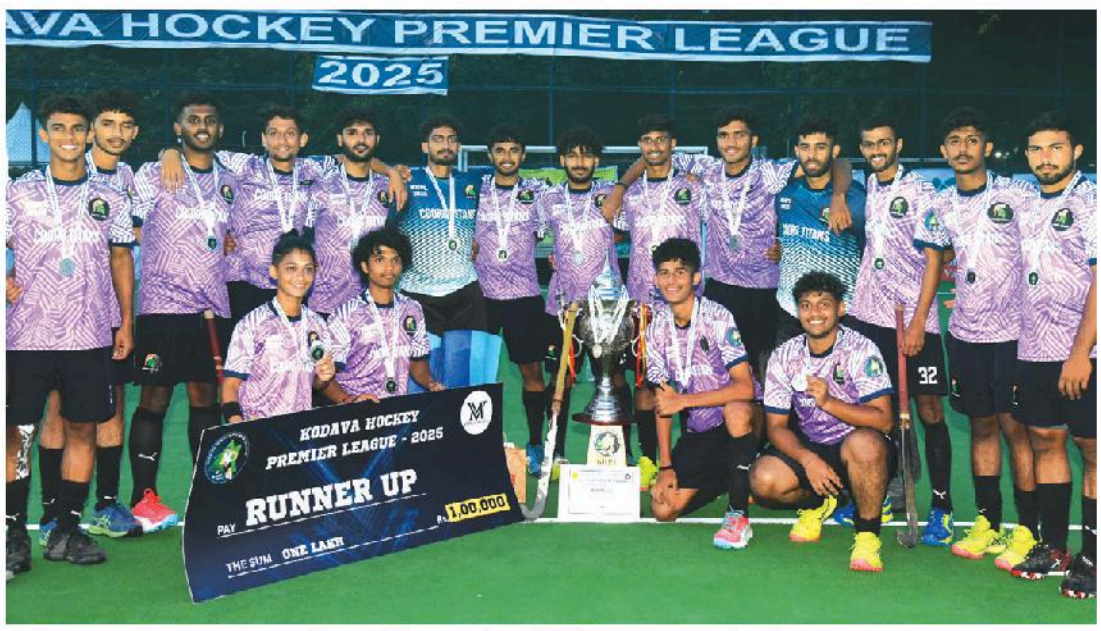
As part of the extended commitment to civic responsibility, students of Daksha PU College also actively participated in the Clean Mysuru Drive.

Kodava Hockey Premier League-2025

Pale Taluk emerge champions

Legal Advisor to the Chief Minister and Virajpet MLA Ajjikuttira S. Ponnanna and DYES Commissioner R. Chethan greeting the players prior to commencement of the final match of Kodava Hockey Premier League-2025 at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city last evening.

The jubilant Pale Taluk team posing with winner's trophy at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city yesterday.



Coorg Titans posing with their runner-up trophy.

Mysuru, June 30 (MK&VNS)- Team Pale Taluk emerged as the champions of Kodava Hockey Premier League - 2025 defeating Coorg Titans 3-1 in the finals held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium Hockey Grounds here yesterday.

In the first half, Coorg Titans was leading 1-0 after converting a penalty. Pale Taluk came back strongly in the second half to score three consecutive goals to emerge champions. Kodavu Warriors won the third place.

The winners were awarded a cash prize of Rs. 1.50 lakh while the runner-up team received Rs. 1 lakh cash reward along with trophies.

Earlier, presiding over the valedictory event, Legal Advisor to Chief Minister and MLA Ajjikuttira S. Ponnanna expressed his happiness over the tournament being organised in Mysuru for the Kodava community and also congratulated Kodava Samaja Youth Wing Mysuru, Kodava Samaja Mysuru and Hockey Mysore for the success of 3-day tournament.

"We have been encouraging all sports including hockey in Kodagu as sports is an integral part of our culture. The State Government has been providing sufficient funds for promoting sports which has to be utilised efficiently. An 11-acre land has been identified in Virajpet taluk which will be developed into a sports facility," he added.

Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES) Commissioner R. Chethan, in his address, expressed concerns about youngsters committing suicide even for a small loss despite being excellent in their academics. He called upon the sportspersons to take the loss positively and come back stronger to emerge victorious.

Urging the parents to encourage their children to take up sports which not only helps in being physically fit but mentally stronger as well, Chethan lauded the Kodava Samaja Youth Wing for hosting the tournament by bringing community people from Mysuru and Kodagu together.

No players from Karnataka in National team

DYES Commissioner Chethan regretted the absence of Karnataka players in the National side. "Earlier, at least 3-4 players from the State, majority from Kodagu, were a part of the National Hockey team. However, it is disheartening to note that not a single player from the State was a part of the National team which won bronze in the previous Olympics. A detailed discussion has been held with Hockey Karnataka and DYES is ready to provide all necessary facilities to improve the sport," he added.

United Kodava Organisation Convener Kokkalemada Manju Chinnappa, Vamcy Merla Sports Foundation's Pradeep Urs, Hockey Mysore President Konganda Dilip Biddappa, Kodava Samaja Mysuru President Ponjanda A. Ganapathy, Gynaecologist Dr. Appaneravanda Sonia Mandappa, actor Shwetha Chengappa, advocate Smitha Devaiah, Indian Hockey player C.B. Poovanna, Kodava Samaja Youth Wing Mysuru President Kotera Vedith Uthaiah, Technical Official Pullangada Rohini Bopanna, motorsport enthusiast Vamcy Merla and others were present.

IDA Karnataka Golf Tournament held in city

Mysuru, June 30- Indian Dental Association (IDA), Mysuru Branch, hosted the 3rd edition of the IDA Karnataka Golf Tournament at JWGC in city recently.

Around 55 dentist golfers from across the State participated in the tournament. Dr. Shivsharan Shetty, President of IDA Karnataka State, teed-off the tournament.

The organising committee included Dr. Abraham Thomas (Organising Chairman), Dr. Pratap Kumar Shetty (Organising Secretary), Dr. N. Raghunath (Treasurer) and Dr. M.N. Guruprasad, Dr. C. Harish, Dr. S.N. Chandhan, Dr. T.K. Sandeep, Dr. N.R. Pramodh and Dr. R.G. Raghu (Organising Committee Members).

Senior dentists Dr. Chandramohan and Dr. Antony Fernandes along with 25 dentist golfers from Mysuru actively took part in the tournament.

Awards were distributed to the winners at the valedictory.

WORD OF THE DAY

Restive

Pronunciation: RES-tiv (adjective).
Meaning: Restive can describe a person or group feeling impatience or uneasiness, or it can describe someone who is stubbornly resistant to control.
Origin: Restive is descended from Anglo-French verb rester, meaning "to stop, resist, or remain." Its initial meaning in the 15th century was "stubbornly resisting control or guidance; obstinate in refusal," and for some time the word was primarily applied to animals such as horses. Over the next few centuries, restive gained additional, closely related meanings (such as "inflexible," "sluggish," and "persistent") and the word often described people as well as animals. In 19th century this semantic drift extended to encompass the meaning "marked by impatience or uneasiness." Although the original "balky" sense of restive hasn't died out completely, it is overshadowed by this more recent "fidgety or impatient" one. Some usage guides still recommend against using restive in this modern sense, despite well over a century and a half of skilled writers employing it. If you're among the restive (earlier meaning) ones who balk at new meanings of words, we apologise if this news makes you feel restive (newer one).
Example: "One of the most important triggers for industrial revolution in England was the draining of the population from the rural areas into the cities. ... [T]his meant that there was a growing shortage of agricultural workers and a concomitant fall in food production both in terms of quality and quantity. The immediate consequence was that available food not only became more expensive but increasingly so with time. Under these circumstances, the workers became restive, demanding the provision of the food they needed to save themselves from starvation." —Adebayo Lamikanra, The Nation (Nigeria), 13 Apr. 2025.

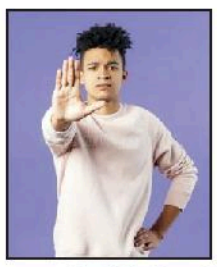
THE ODD WORD

Cachinnate

To laugh loudly or immoderately.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Over My Dead Body



Meaning: When you say that something will only happen 'Over My Dead Body,' you mean that you are willing to do all you can to prevent it.
Origin: While not much is known about the origin of the phrase 'Over My Dead Body,' scholars know that it was in use during the 1800s, when it was a common hyperbolic expression that was often used in jest. As you may know if you've used this phrase, it is one that can be used jokingly or with consternation, depending upon the circumstances.
Example: "All of my friends are going out to the lake tonight and I'm going too!" Answer: "Over my dead body you are!"

QUOTE BOX

The home is the chief school of human virtues. **—William Ellery Channing**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: On the rebound.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Air Data Tester, abbr.
4 Encounter or come across
8 One million: 'pref.'
12 Three as a prefix
13 __ ___ want is a room somewhere.... (3,1)
14 "Been" anagram for Swiss watch manufacturers?
15 Kernel case
17 With competence
18 Old Greek coins
19 Alternate
21 Root mean square, in short
23 Afternoon nap
27 Fly-by-light
30 Puzzle solver's cry
32 Cinema award
33 Ancient kingdom - "male" anagram?
35 Himalayan animal
37 Bath powder
38 Piece for nine players
40 Concealed oneself
42 __ culpa : an admission of guilt
43 Sacred Egyptian beetle
45 Give it to the devil?
47 A successful action
49 Profits
53 Ballet skirt
56 Severe or stringent
58 Unique or singular person
59 Carte du jour
60 Vane dir.
61 Neat
62 In _ __ : stagnant? (1,3)
63 Quadruped of the horse family

DOWN
1 ___ __ time : never? (2,2)
2 Thrash
3 Former Yugoslav leader
4 Ms Chaudhary of Bollywood
5 Estimated life expectancy
6 Jazz singer ___ Fitzgerald
7 Cash registers
8 Most miserly
9 Flow back
10 Come together
11 Some - no matter which
16 Camera type
20 Uncle in Spain
22 Timid, bashful
24 Swindle or rip-off
25 Story
26 Reliquary
27 Marshes
28 Political alliance
29 ___ Lang : she loves Superman, the man of steel?
31 Sigh of contentment
34 Roman God or quicksilver
36 Baby goat
39 Chinese principle
41 Soldier's trench
44 Myanmar formerly
46 Musical aptitude
48 Moorage site
50 Scottish island
51 Convent women
52 Nav. readings
53 Small drink
54 One as a prefix
55 Ex-British P.M. Heath
57 African antelope

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	D	A	R	■	M	E	S	S	■	E	C	O
P	E	R	U	■	A	G	N	I	■	P	A	S
A	B	C	D	■	C	O	I	N	C	I	D	E
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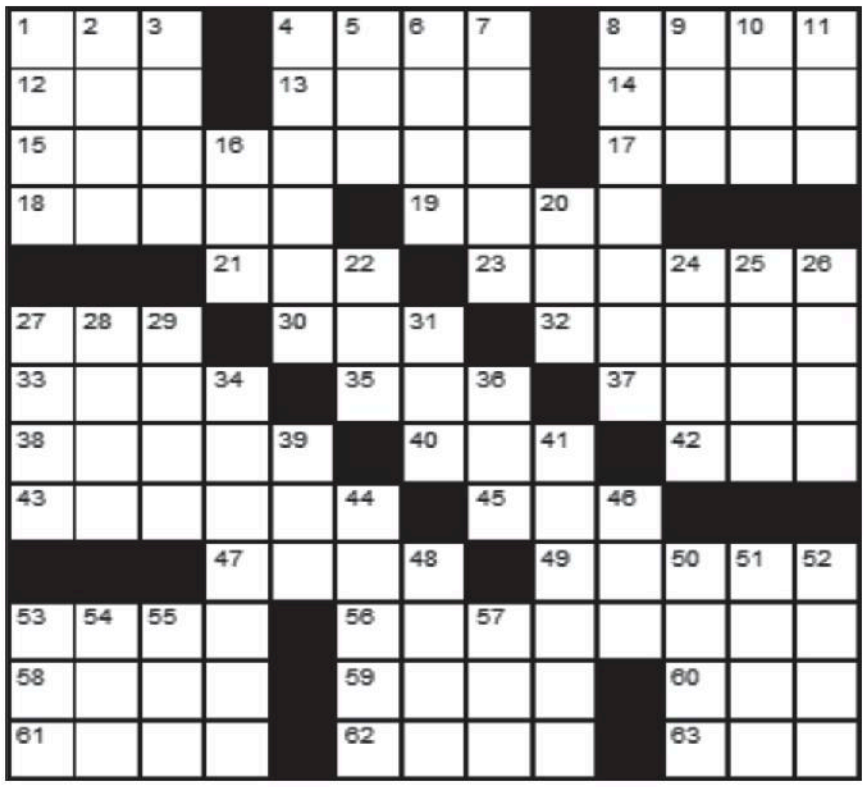

SUDOKU

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7	5				6	1		
			1					8
		5		1		3	7	
	9	3		7		8		
9					2			
		7	3				2	4
		1	7	5				

Answer to previous puzzle

9	5	8	2	6	4	3	7	1
4	6	3	7	8	1	5	9	2
7	2	1	3	5	9	4	6	8
6	4	2	1	7	3	9	8	5
3	1	9	8	4	5	7	2	6
5	8	7	6	9	2	1	4	3
1	3	6	4	2	7	8	5	9
8	7	5	9	1	6	2	3	4
2	9	4	5	3	8	6	1	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

IJ RMZ RCWGJ ESJ ZRPY

EW SME ESJ ZRPY.

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS W

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Kannappa (Te)	(S-1)	9 am, 6.40 pm; (S-3) 3.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 pm
Maadeva (K)	(S-1)	12.45 pm
Avanirabekittu (K)	(S-1)	3.30 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	(S-1)	10.30 pm; (S-4) 11 am, 7.10 pm
Maargan (Ta)	(S-2)	9.55 am
Raja Rathnakara (K)	(S-2)	12.40 pm
Kuberaa (Ta)	(S-2)	3.30 pm; (S-3) 9.40 am
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	(S-2)	7.05 pm, 10.20 pm; (S-4) 4 pm
Love Marriage (Ta)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Maa (H)	(S-3)	7.40 pm, 10.30 pm
Naruto: The Movie (Japanese)	(S-4)	2 pm

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X and Y (K)	(S-1)	11 am
Maadeva (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 6.50 pm
Avanirabekittu (K)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Love Marriage (Ta)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
Kannappa (K)	(S-2)	1 pm, 7.50 pm
Kannappa (Te)	(S-2)	4.25 pm; (S-3) 10.30 am
	(S-4)	6 pm, 9.25 pm
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	(S-3)	3.30 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Kuberaa (K)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 1.55 pm

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		6.50 pm, 10 pm
Maa (H)	:	10.05 am, 3.40 pm, 9.35 pm
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	:	10.15 am, 12.45 pm, 4 pm
		7.15 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.30 pm
How To Train Your Dragon (E-3D)	:	11.05 am
Hanuman Junction (Te)	:	11.35 am
Naruto The Movie (E)	:	1.30 pm
M3gan 2.0 (E)	:	1.50 pm
Kuberaa (Ta)	:	3 pm
Kuberaa (Te)	:	10.20 pm
Maadeva (K)	:	4.30 pm
Ninnindale (K)	:	6.30 pm
Umrao Jaan (H)	:	6.30 pm
Kannappa (Te)	:	6.40 pm
X & Y (K)	:	7.20 pm

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Kuberaa (Te)	:	9 am, 2.50 pm
Kuberaa (Ta)	:	9.45 pm
Maa (H)	:	9 am, 1.30 pm, 7.35 pm
Kannappa (Te	:	9.50 am, 3.10 pm, 10.05 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	:	10.05 am, 4.25 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	:	11.55 am, 3.50 pm, 6.50 pm, 10.15 pm
X & Y (K)	:	12.25 pm
Maadeva (K)	:	1 pm
Avanirabekittu (K)	:	6.30 pm

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Kannappa (K)	:	12.30 pm
Kuberaa (Te)	:	9 am, 6.40 pm
Kuberaa (K)	:	12.35 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	:	9.20 am, 3.40 pm, 6.50 pm, 10 pm
Maa (H)	:	10 am, 4.05 pm, 10.20 pm
Avanirabekittu (K)	:	12.31 pm
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	:	12.50 pm, 6.55 pm, 10.10 pm
How to Train Your Dragon (E-3D)	:	4.05 pm
X & Y (K)	:	4.15 pm

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Kannappa (Te)	:	9.05 am, 12.45 pm
		6.40 pm, 10.20 pm
Maa (H)	:	9.45 am, 1.35 pm, 7.40 pm
F1: The Movie (E)	:	9.50 am, 1 pm, 4.15 pm
		7 pm, 10.10 pm
Sitaare Zameen Par (H)	:	10.35 am, 4.25 pm, 10.30 pm
Kuberaa (Te)	:	12.35 pm
Maadeva (K)	:	4.10 pm
Timmana Mottegalu (K)	:	4.25 pm
Bloody Babu (K)	:	7.30 pm
Raja Rathnakara (K)	:	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

Hi Life Expo from tomorrow

Mysuru, June 30- The much-awaited Hi Life Exhibition is scheduled to be held on July 1 and 2 at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city from 10 am to 9 pm.

Disclosing this at a press conference at Patrakarthara Bhavan this morning, **Shomika S. Rao, Co-organiser of Hi Life Brides and S. Srikanth, the Event Coordinator,** said that the two-day shopping gala has the finest bridal couture, jewellery and accessories, showcasing the best of Indian fashion. The expo features exclusive collections of lehengas, sarees, gowns and a wide range of exquisite jewellery. Brides-to-be can explore a variety of high-end designer wear and accessories curated to suit every style and preference.

Shomika Rao said, "Hi Life Expo is a platform to showcase the best of fashion wears, where tradition and modernity meet. We have worked hard to bring together a unique collection that reflects the essence of Mysuru brides. We are excited to host this exhibition in Mysuru city which has always had a rich cultural heritage and we are proud to bring an event that celebrates the grace and elegance."

Srikanth stated, "Hi Life Fashion Expo is a premier event that brings together the best in contemporary fashion, showcasing cutting-edge designs, global trends and innovative concepts from emerging and established designers across India."

More than just a showcase, the Hi Life Expo champions sustainability, inclusivity and cultural diversity, positioning itself as a forward-thinking hub for the future of fashion, they said.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 30)

- **Kadamba Rangavedike and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota:** MP Yaduveer Wadiyar releases Dr. Gurumurthy Harohalli's book titled 'Dr. Rajkumar The Legend' on the Kannada matinee idol Dr. Rajkumar, Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath presides, State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu R. Kautilya, Mysuru-Chamarajanagar District Arya-Ediga Sangha President M.K. Potharaj, Kadamba Rangavedike President Rajashekar Kadamba and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar will be present, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Renuka Yellamma haagu Kabbalamma Temple:** 33rd Annual Jathra Mahotsava-2025, Siddaroodara Puja, Mahamangalarati and Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, Kotwal Ramaiah Road, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 1)

- **Sri Chandramouleshwara Swamy Devasthanam Charitable Trust, V.V. Mohalla:** 83rd Jayanthyuthsava-2025, Subramanya Homa, Sri Kalabairava Homa, Temple premises, **9 am.**
- **Hi Life Exhibition:** Showcase of luxury, elegance and trendsetting designs, Radisson Blu, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru:** Doctor's Day celebrations, felicitation to doctor couples by MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah, Vaidya Namana and State-level Poets Meet, ADC Dr. P. Shivaraju inaugurates, poetess Dr. Latha Rajashekar presides, Parishat Mysuru President Maddikere Gopal delivers keynote address, senior social worker Dr. Pushpa Iyengar and poet & writer Sumati Subramanya chief guests, Parishat premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 am.**
- **Sri Renuka Yellamma haagu Kabbalamma Temple:** 33rd Annual Jathra Mahotsava-2025, Uyyale Seve, Mahamangalarati and Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, Kotwal Ramaiah Road, **7 pm.**

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